

441—25.74(78GA,ch1221) Application process.

25.74(1) *Who may apply.* If a county determines that payment of POS provider rates in accordance with these rules will cause the county to expend more funds in FY2001 than budgeted for POS services, the county may apply for assistance from the tobacco settlement fund. However, any fiscal year 2000 projected accrual basis fund balances in excess of 25 percent of fiscal year 2000 services fund gross expenditures will reduce the amount for which a county is eligible. In considering the cost of implementing these provisions, a county shall not include the cost of rate increases granted to any providers who fail to complete financial and statistical reports as provided in these rules.

25.74(2) *How to apply.* The county shall send the original and 15 copies of Form 470-3768, Tobacco Settlement Fund Risk Pool Application, to the division. The division must receive the application no later than 4:30 p.m. on September 25, 2000. Facsimiles and electronic mail are not acceptable. The application shall be signed and dated by the chairperson of the county board of supervisors, the county auditor, and the CPC administrator. Staff of the division shall notify each county of receipt of the county's application.

25.74(3) *Request for additional information.* Staff shall review all applications for completeness. If an application is not complete, staff of the division shall contact the county by October 5, 2000, and request the information needed to complete the application. The county shall submit the required information by October 16, 2000.